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EMOTIONAL STORY REVEALED IN WAR HERO'S TRIAL

Paris, May 8.—A Military Court today acquitted Rene Hardy, a French resistance leader, accused of betraying underground comrades to the Gestapo.

Amid thunderous applause, the six judges answered "No" to each of three questions put by the president of the Court, which decided the verdict.

A crowd estimated by the police as the largest ever seen at the Court had earlier pressed for admittance as the trial neared its end.

The Prosecution had asked the Court to find Hardy guilty

of treason, and declared that he had betrayed his comrades for the love of dark-haired Lydie Bastien.

Beautiful 24-year-old Lydie was not in Court as Major Gastien Gardon summed up for the Prosecution at the 12th and last hearing in Hardy's second trial.

He could have asked for the death penalty or a term of imprisonment but he made no specified request.

At the end of his summing up, Major Gardon turned to Hardy and said directly to him: "If you are in a position to be guilty it was because you had previously been in a position to be heroic."

As the Prosecutor spoke, Hardy sat in the dock drawing amicably on a white sheet of paper on his lap, except when seized by an occasional brief fit of coughing.

After his arrest by the Germans in June, 1943, Hardy had to work for the Germans because a terrible threat hung over the heads of people who were done to him—his fiancée, Lydie Bastien, and her parents.

Major Gardon said, "He added that when Hardy refused to serve the Gestapo any longer, Lydie Bastien's parents were arrested. When, in the final moments of his speech, the Prosecutor referred to Hardy's courage, the accused man stopped drawing and looked up, very pale."

United Press.

IMPORTANT BERLIN TEST CASE

Berlin, May 8.—The American District Attorney today asked for severe sentences on six East German policemen appearing before an American Court here charged with wearing the uniform of a paramilitary organization and carrying weapons contrary to Control Council orders.

Evidence had been given that the policemen were arrested in the German sector on April 13 in possession of German Army machine-pistols and revolvers.

"This was a crime of the worst degree in occupied Germany," the District Attorney, Mr. Irving Robbins, stated.

"These men are not policemen in the ordinary sense of the word, but members of a people's army, performing military duties," the District Attorney said.

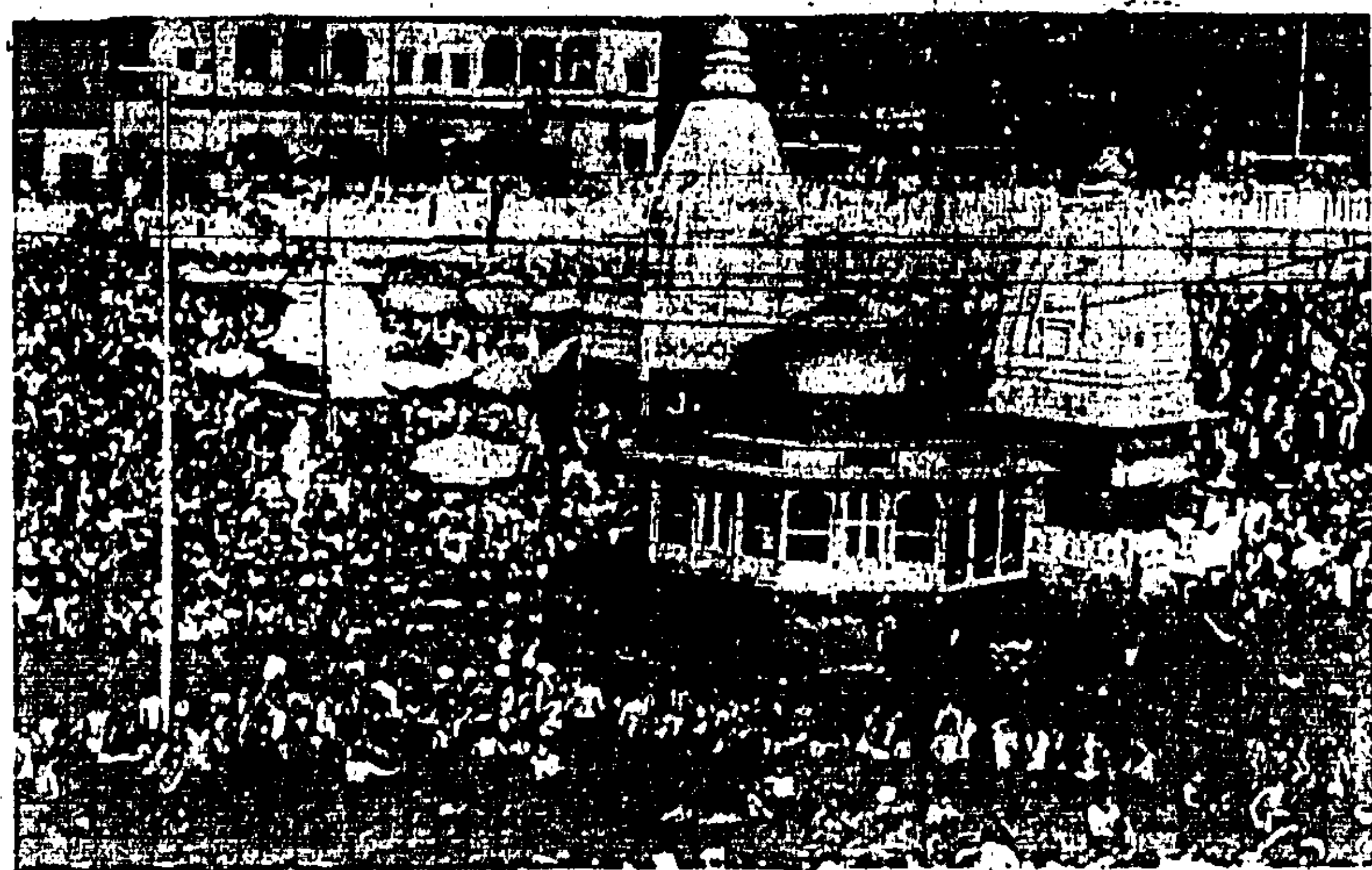
"These young men, who passed straight from the Hitler Youth into this army, have never had a chance to learn what freedom means. These 40,000 to 60,000 men in uniform, armed with tanks, artillery and automatic weapons, are a danger to Germany."

Dr. Fritz Kaufmann, a Communist Defence Counsel, stated that he had abandoned his proposal to call defence witnesses. Verdicts will be given when the trial is resumed on May 15.—Reuter.

Communist Ban On Cigarettes

Trieste, May 8.—The pro-Communist Communist Party of Trieste today prohibited members from smoking cigarettes made in Yugoslavia. A Party circular said: "He who smokes cigarettes from a traitorous country is not worthy of belonging to the Communist Party."—United Press.

Hardwar Celebrates The Kumbh Mela



A remarkable picture at Hardwar where a million Hindus "invaded" it to bathe in the most sacred spot in the most sacred river, the Ganges, where sins are washed away. Elaborate precautions had to be taken to save people from death by stampeding and crushing. (London Express Service).

Winnipeg Fighting Sagging Dykes

Winnipeg, May 8.—Every available man was thrown into the fight to strengthen sagging dykes today as the weathermen predicted that violent storms would hit this flooded city in a matter of hours.

It was estimated that 10,000 persons were homeless in Southern Manitoba.

Warned that "the worst is yet to come," 1,450 persons fled their homes in suburban Winnipeg in taxis, private cars and Army vehicles.

During the weekend, another 4,000 had been forced out when the flooding Red River enveloped nearly 1,000 houses.

A handful of dykes still held, but it was feared the promised rains would weaken them as last week's rainfall did. The dykes that subsequently broke down under pressure of flood waters.

The Red River level here this morning was 9.8 feet above the minimum flood level, a rise of six inches in the last 18 hours.—United Press.

Polish Consulate Employees Seek Asylum

Frankfurt, May 8.—Eight employees of the Polish Consulate here today asked the West German authorities for political asylum, the American High Commission announced.

The announcement said that the group included a judge, an accountant, two officials and a 12-month-old child.

The Poles were escorted to the German police headquarters for proper registration. Officials at the Polish Consulate refused all information this afternoon. The porter said that the Consul-General, who lives in the building, was out of town. Reuter.

ACHESON AND BEVIN TO TALK STERLING

London, May 8.—Mr Dean Acheson, the United States Secretary of State, will arrive in London tomorrow for vital talks with the British Foreign Secretary, Mr Ernest Bevin, covering the whole international field.

His two meetings with Mr Bevin will be a curtain-raiser to a "Big Three" conference on Thursday with Mr Schuman.

The Bevin-Acheson talks will decide Britain's bargaining position in the subsequent three-Power conversations and may profoundly affect the whole future of the Sterling Area, observers here predict.

The crux of the talks will be a frank examination of how far and how quickly Britain is willing to come into the projected European Payments Agreement. It will examine British reaction to American ideas for the economic integration of non-Communist Europe, according to those well placed to analyze the trends of the preliminary discussions.—Reuter.

PEKING BID FOR BANGKOK

San Francisco, May 8.—The Chinese Foreign Minister, Mr Chou En-lai, sent a message on Sunday to the Secretary-General of the United Nations, Mr Trygve Lie, announcing the appointment of Mr Chi-Chao-tung (described as delegate to the Economic Commission for Asia and the Far East) as Communist representative to attend the meetings of the Committee of Industry and Trade opening in Bangkok tomorrow.

Reporting this tonight Peking Radio said that Mr Chou called for the exclusion from the Committee of the Nationalist delegates and for an entry visa for Mr Chi from the Thailand Government.—Reuter.

Fifteen Millions In War Weapons As First Instalment

Washington, May 8.—The United States Government plans to announce within the next 24 hours the first formal allotment of \$15 million worth of military aid to Indo-China, it was learned here today.

The announcement will be made in Paris, where the U.S. Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, today discussed the aid to Indo-China programme with the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman.

The \$15 million worth of military equipment will be provided from the \$75 million fund which has already been appropriated by Congress to President Truman for use in assisting Asian countries in their resistance to Communist penetration in the Far East.

The President is also expected to receive from Congress as soon as the Foreign Aid Bill is passed an authorization to spend an additional sum of approximately \$100 million which could be spent in adding resistance to Communism in Indo-China and other South-East Asian countries.

This \$100 million is what is left of funds originally provided to aid China and now available in the general area of China according to the ECA Bill which has passed both Houses of Congress separately and now requires their joint approval and the signature of the President before it becomes law.

It is expected here that Mr Acheson will call for a three-Power British, French and American statement of common policy in the resistance to the spread of Communism in South-East Asia and that he will suggest that Britain should contribute to assisting the French in Indo-China.—Reuter.

Lincoln, Nebraska, May 8.—President Truman lashed out here today against the "mud-slinging, name-calling opposition" which, he said, fought every new proposal offered for the benefit of the country.

He told a farming audience from the rear platform of his speech-horn train here that it included the same people who had attacked farm programmes as "Communist" and attempts to "enslave the farmer."

The laws these critics had fought had led to "freedom and prosperity."

"Remember that fact when you hear people today croak the old charges of 'Socialism' and 'regimentation' about every new proposal for progress," the President said.

He was supporting enactment of his "Fair Deal" measures, the controversial Brannan Farm Plan.—Reuter.

Business representatives here said the financial drain on commercial concerns in China can no longer be borne and the Peking government is now in a position to foreclose on many of them for unpaid taxes and severance for employees for whom there is no work.

"We are of the opinion that no more money should be poured down the drain to maintain factories which cannot function."

On the diplomatic front, the Conservative, Mr Fitzroy MacLean, said one condition of diplomatic recognition was the British support for Communist China's representation in the United Nations. He said Britain sought to earn Peking's gratitude by trying to induce Cuba, Ecuador and Egypt to vote for China on the Security Council.

"But the Egyptians, Ecuadorians and Cubans stood firm and so negotiations in Peking which have already lasted for three and a half months still drag, it surely is time to put an end to this humiliating and unprofitable farce."—United Press.

Mr Acheson Guarantees Aid To French In Indo-China Struggle

ALL-DAY TALKS WITH M. SCHUMAN

Paris, May 8.—The United States Secretary of State, Mr Dean Acheson, after all-day talks with the French Foreign Minister, M. Robert Schuman, said in a statement tonight that America considered France's struggle in Indo-China warranted economic aid and military equipment.

"The United States recognises that the solution of the Indo-China problem depends both upon the restoration of security and upon the development of genuine nationalism," and that United States assistance can and should contribute to these major objectives."

The two Foreign Ministers had discussed France's campaign in Indo-China and the entire field of Western interests in South-East Asia at a morning meeting here.

"The United States Government," concluded that neither national independence nor democratic evolution can exist in any area dominated by Soviet Imperialism, considers the situation to be such as to warrant its according economic aid and military equipment to the associated States of Indo-China and to France in order to assist them in restoring stability and permitting these States to pursue their peaceful and democratic development."

The two Foreign Ministers discussed Europe—including Germany's future—at a second meeting this afternoon in their day's preliminary talks to the "Big Three" Foreign Ministers' meeting in London at the weekend.

"The Indo-China problem was discussed this morning," Mr Jean Letourneau, Minister of Overseas France, stated.

"This question is now finished and this afternoon will be devoted only to Europe."

Paris observers forecast that France would ask the United States for \$500,000,000 to help fight the war against Communist forces in Indo-China.

The suggestion made by the French Prime Minister, M. Georges Bidault, for a Supreme Atlantic Peace Council was also expected to be discussed.

Today's meetings between Mr Acheson and M. Schuman produced a strong counter-attack from Mr Acheson to French demands that America should take a large share in the cost of the war in Indo-China.

Mr Acheson, who was fully informed of the line to be taken by M. Schuman before he entered the meeting, widened the field of the discussion by urging the need for a less tepid attitude about the cold war on the table about the cold war on the table.

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MAN DOES BITE A DOG!

Washington, May 8.—The Washington police today received a report of a man biting his dog. They investigated and found Blawie Long, 23, digging his teeth into the dog's haunches. He explained that it was his dog and he would bite it if he wished. The police took him to hospital for observation.—United Press.

American Airmen Released

After 18 Months!

San Francisco, May 8.—The Chinese Communist military authorities in Shantung Province have released two American Air Force men detained since 1948 after their plane had "invaded the air" of China, Peking Radio reported tonight.

The men's names were given as E. C. Boudier and M. C. Smith whose plane was said to have landed near a village in the Kiating Peninsula in the early hours of October 19, 1946.

A statement issued by the Shantung military headquarters said that the two men would be deported, while the plane concerned would be confiscated.

The statement said that the plane the two men used carried charts and various military maps of No. 44 Field Survey Team of the U.S. Espionage Organisation (External Service Department).

It said that the two men, who were on active service in the American armed forces at the time their plane landed on Chinese soil, were detained as prisoners of war.

At the beginning they had refused to reveal the motive of their "unlawful flight" but recently they confessed that the objective of the flight was to reconnoitre railways and discover constructional projects, the Shantung statement said.

It added: "The confession proved that the aim of this U.S. Imperialist aeroplane flight was to invade our territorial air will for the purpose of carrying out planned military reconnaissance to help the Kuomintang war of the Kuomintang brigand."—Reuter.

Bruin Keeps
On Walking

Lake Success, May 8.—Russia today extended her boycott of the 25th and 26th organisations of the United Nations today.

The Soviet delegate, P. Chernyshev, walked out of the Statistical Commission after the Commission denied Chernyshev's motion to elect the Chinese Nationalist delegate by vote of 6-2.

The Commission on the Status of Women, meeting for the first time, was notified by the chief Soviet delegate, Jacob Malik, that Russia would not be represented.

Nationalist China's delegate to the Commission on the Status of Women complained today because no delegate showed up to "insult me."

Madame Cecilia Siu Ling-tung made the complaint as the Kremlin spread its boycott over the Women's Commission by mail explaining that no delegate would be present.

"I am disappointed," said the Chinese delegate. "I have come all this way to receive the Russian walkout and I was prepared to listen to the usual Soviet insult."—United Press.

EDITORIAL

Two Lines Of Approach

IT is interesting to compare with the substantial progress made by British Commonwealth countries towards a joint approach to a Japanese peace treaty, the difficulties which now beset British trade interests in Japan, or in touch with Japan. Significantly, the Commonwealth consultative committee, deliberating on the treaty in London, have concerned themselves with its economic aspects in complete agreement that they must be directed towards enabling Japan to stand on its own feet. In effect, to encourage revival of her industrial capacity. What is happening on the other side was partially revealed in the recent discussion in the House of Commons, when the taxes inflicted on British firms, amounting almost to capital levy, aroused bitter criticism, and a demand was made that General MacArthur, whose headquarters were reputed to disclaim any responsibility, be reminded that Britain did take some part in the Pacific War. Add the analysis of Japanese policies in The Times, asserting that the Japanese intend to oust all foreign interests and restore totalitarianism, that there is growing determination to compete unfettered in international markets, and there appears to be excellent reason for a sharp enquiry. Particularly as indications are that Hongkong is not finding it any easier to carry on normal trade relations with Japan. From the moment that the Supreme Commander of the Allied Powers took control of Japan's affairs, elaborate mechanism was set up to supervise overseas trade. Nothing could be exported or imported without the sanction of SCAP. Currency was regulated, almost to the extent that all commodities ordered in Japan had to be paid for in American gold dollars. In more recent times, there has been, ostensibly, some relaxation. The list of articles requiring a SCAP permit was modified. Expectations

were, as a result, that movements to and fro would be considerably simplified, to the general benefit. In fact, those proposing to profit thereby, and making use of the recently inaugurated Hongkong-Tokyo telephone system, have been largely disappointed. SCAP is taking interest not so much in the nature of Japanese exports, but where they are going to. Commodities have been refused licence for export to Hongkong unless covered by an absolute guarantee that there will be no re-export, and the goods are for local consumption. No valid reason has been vouchsafed publicly. It may be surmised that the fact that the United States has not recognised the Peking regime and that Britain has, must be taken into account. The challenge may be to trade between Hongkong and Canton where Japanese materials are an item in exchange. Nevertheless, it is somewhat staggering to find SCAP endeavouring to interfere in Hongkong's well-accepted function as an entrepot centre. Hongkong uses so little of her imports that it may almost be taken for granted that they are going elsewhere. The Colony has difficulties enough because of Communist rule in China and the blockade from Shanghai to Macao by the exile government in Formosa, without attempts to dictate to businessmen. Apart from anything else, how far can a guarantee be carried? Between a local sale by an importer and the final disposal of goods, there could easily be five or six transactions entirely outside his knowledge or control. How forcefully the Supreme Commander pursues his policy is a matter of conjecture, but Hongkong's position is that it can jeopardise both commercial and shipping interests in the Colony. An explanation appears to be required, and in the light of the Commonwealth's approach to Japan's future.

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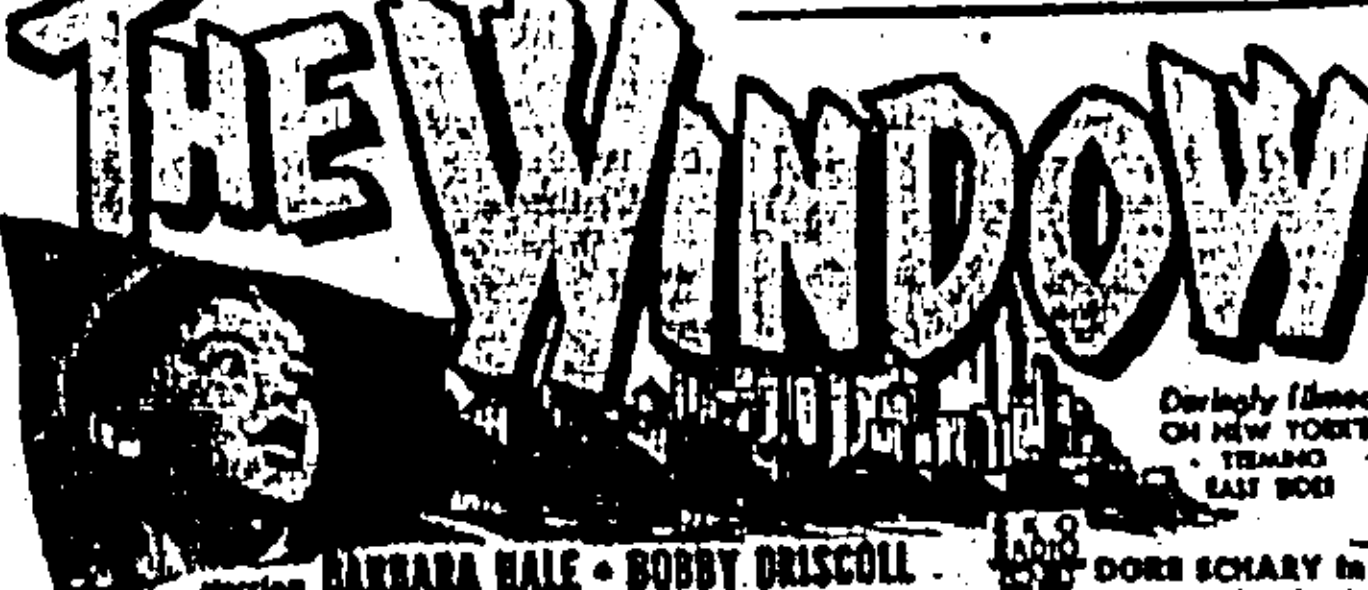
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**Dior Shows Horse-shoe Collars
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Silk and wool raincoat
worn by model Tania.



This cartwheel hat was typical of those which topped the
suits and coats in the 92-model show.



Suit in fine worsted with
the jacket lapels only just
clearing the waistline.

Two Models Nearly Missed The Show

TWO of Christian Dior's girl models who have flown
specially from Paris to London to display his
dresses nearly missed the show.

They were Jean Dawnay,
English former air hostess, who
went to work for Dior last
November, and has the smallest
waist-line of all the models, and
Jane Barnes, an American.
Jane turned up with two
minutes to spare—in which
time her hair was dressed and
she was tucked into the dress
she was to show by several
excited Frenchwomen.

Jane had ten minutes in
which to get changed. The
girls had been out for a walk.
Dior's show was half an hour
late in starting.
Five minutes before the
scheduled opening of the parade
only two of the girls had had
their hair dressed.
Soft piano music kept the
waiting audience in a good
mood.

British Fabrics

The show, which includes
many British fabrics and two
English mannequins, was being
held over, no great loss from
the demand for tickets.
The proceeds of about £5,000
will go towards a £20,000
museum of costumes for Brit-
ain.

Highlights: Horse-shoe collars,
short slim skirts, huge cartwheel
hats with tall, pointed, beauti-
ful English suitings, the new
tangerine shade, pleats and
tucks everywhere, and glamour
evening gowns with 40-yard
skirts.

Hair styles: Longer, earlier,
swept back from the head and
ears.

Pearls For London

Jewellery: Pearls took the
place in London of many of
the beautiful diamond jewel
pieces shown with the collec-
tion in Paris.

Most applause went to beauti-
ful Eastern mannequin Albi,
wearing a primrose-pleated
chiffon sheath dress with bath-
ing dress top and waist posy of
yellow roses.

Hair Stylist Tries Insect

For Glamour

LIFE-LIKE insects have been
used by hair stylist Steiner,
London's West End, to comple-
ment his new season hair styles.
They perch lightly on short
hair for after-dinner glamour.
A real butterfly in his swirl-
ling style for summer evening
wear. One side of the hair is
dressed forward and the fore-
head is softened with a caress
curl fringe.

The butterfly in this style is
mounted on cork and was bor-
rowed for the occasion from a
collection owned by the de-
signer's young son.

Inspired by the forehead
bandeau of the 1920's, an un-
usual snake-effect headpiece is
made from violets and white
candies, creating an asymmetri-
cal line.

A Dragonfly

Another of Steiner's short
swirl styles for evening is orna-
mented with a giant dragonfly.
Made from fine net and glitter-
ing sequins it has two topaz
stones for eyes.

The dragonfly is perched
above a caress curl fringe, but
its position may be varied ac-
cording to the designer, who
added: "There is no sting in
this particular tail."

Miss Muffet was
frightened away but Miss 1950
will let this spider caress her
casual coiffure," Steiner says.
His spider has sequin-studded
legs and ruby-red eyes.

Right Cream for Your Skin



After finding the cleansing cream that is friendly to your skin,
use it faithfully every night. After massage, remove with fluted
cotton square.

By HELEN FOLLETT

If complexion radiance is
what you want and haven't
got it, it is possible that you
haven't the right cosmetics or
properly. Some skins are in-
ternally sluggish, with the re-
sult that the texture lacks
delicacy; they may not carry
the special glow that makes
them a treat to the eye. They
cannot remain youthful-looking
unless they have proper care.

While all creams are safe
these days because of the Pure
Food and Drug law, they are
not all adapted to all skins.
There are special offerings for
dry surfaces, others for oily
skins. When beauty-shopping
be sure to read the labels before
buying.

There are complexions that
are as temperamental as a
prima donna; they kick up a
fuss if applications do not pre-
cisely suit them. They may
have a soap phobia, in which
event a substitute must be
used, either a cleansing milk or
light oil. It may take a little
experimenting on your part, but
it will be worth the trouble, in
case your skin is finicky and
fussy.

The pale complexion is in
need of special care. Close
to the surface of the epidermis
are tiny capillaries. It is their
business to create the rosy
glow. If circulation is not
active they go out of business,
and one must resort to the
rouge compact if one would be
blushy.

Cold water acts favourably
upon the circulation, more
favourably when used im-
mediately after a warm water
face washing. That practice
brings a reaction. Ice rubs are
also in order. After the fric-
tion, make little hammering of
your finger tips, thump your
cheeks, chin and forehead.

Daily exercise in the open air
is of cosmetic value. Lying
on the back, pull it into the lowest
curve of your lungs and your
complexion will improve. Put
on your even leane boots and
best it out for a brisk walk
each day. This habit will bring
results and reduce the beauty
overhead.

Good Quality
But this is the fault of
the vegetable. Chief, if they are
of good quality. The trouble is
due usually to the cooking. But
here's something I've discover-
ed: Most vegetables, when
they come from the garden,
taste delicious. That's because
they contain all their natural
sweetness, which gives the fine
flavour. If they stand even
a few hours in the market or
at home, this natural sugar
turns to starch, so they lose
that fine taste.

Emergency Action
In all cases of severe burns,
the first and most important
thing is to call the doctor. If he
can come at once, it is better not
to attempt to dress the wound. If
his services cannot be secured
promptly, wet dressings, made
of a pint of sterile water and
tablespoonful of baking soda,
may be applied over the burned
surface. But, remember, this is
only emergency treatment. It
will not suffice to heal the burn
or to save the patient's life. For
this, medical aid is required, and
the sooner it can be had the bet-
ter the chance for recovery.

Three-fold Treatment
Thus, treatment is directed at
combating these three things. It
consists chiefly in the adminis-
tration of drugs to ease the
pain; the giving, by injection into
a vein, of fluids to replace those
lost from the burned area; and
prevention of infection. Burns
are free from germs at the start
but the damaged, weakened tis-
sue is a perfect breeding place for
bacteria.

Household Hints
Dry, cool storage is advisable
for all tinny goods. If you
must keep them in a warm
place, date the jars so that you
use the older ones first, and do
not keep them too long. Even
kept in ideal conditions, a year's
storage is enough.

Before Doctor Arrives
But, remember, in any burn
that is at all extensive, first re-
move the patient from the im-
mediate vicinity of the accident.
Next, call the doctor. Then apply
a mixture of baking soda and
cool water. Finally, while wait-
ing for the doctor, if you under-
stand the use of pain-relieving
drugs, and they are available,
administer a dose to help relieve
the pain.

Let's Eat
BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN
How A Vegetable Dinner
Can Be Appetising
"All out, Madame, the vege-
tables are beautiful. They are
full of vitamins and minerals,
and the fact remains that they
composed almost entirely
of vegetables are not very
popular. The man of the house,
and even the children, look for
the good piece of meat, the
chop, the steak, and even then
they push aside the vegetables
or the salad."

Good Quality
But this is the fault of
the vegetable. Chief, if they are
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turns to starch, so they lose
that fine taste.

REHEARSING DANCES



HIDEKI Yukawa, Japanese nuclear physicist who won the 1949 Nobel Prize, watches his wife in New York as she rehearses some classical dances of Japan. Mrs Yukawa appeared in a presentation of the dances during the opening of the International Christian University Youth Week. (Acme)

Health Congress Told Hongkong's Many Problems

By Our Own Correspondent

LONDON.

From Bermuda to Belgium, from Port of Spain to Pakistan, delegates arrived at the quiet Sussex seaside town of Eastbourne recently to attend the health congress of the Royal Sanitary Institute.

These annual meetings, which are attended by over 2,000 delegates from local authorities throughout the British Isles, are concerned with one problem—world health.

Much of the working of the congress was concerned directly with the British Isles, but many of the problems were applicable to overseas territories and as such had a special significance for delegates from those areas.

In addition, the congress afforded the overseas delegates an opportunity to get together and discuss problems peculiar to their own areas and to compare notes on improving health standards.

Prominent among the delegates was Dorcas Landreth-Smith, Medical Officer of Health for San Fernando, Trinidad. She is in England on a course and attended the congress as one of the four delegates from the West Indies.

Dr Landreth-Smith advanced the view that the best method of ensuring health improvement was by education and training. She advocated, where possible, closer association between school children, school doctors, nurses and parents.

DIRT AND DISEASE

"If people do not understand about dirt and disease they will not know how to prevent it," she said. "But if they can be made to realize that prevention is better than cure then improvement in health is bound to follow."

Mr Arthur White, Senior Health Inspector, Hongkong, explained the difficulties confronting the authorities in the territory. A population of three quarters of a million people has expanded to two and a half million, bringing with it fresh problems of housing, feeding and sanitation.

He also stressed the great importance of prevention and spoke of the problems facing the Hongkong authorities in keeping clear the illegal squatter

Landlords Try To Give Away Their Houses

People owning houses in rent-restricted Britain have tried to give them away—because they just cannot stand the cost of repairs. So said Mr Arthur Anderson, who acts for some small property owners.

He was among 100 delegates, representing 200,000 property owners, mostly small, who hold one-third of the country's homes.

They demanded at their federation's conference in London that Parliament speed a change in the Rent Restriction Acts.

They want to increase rents to cover the cost of essential repairs. "Otherwise," Mr Anderson told them, "it will rapidly become a country of slums."

TENANTS PAY 7s.

Mr Anderson, from Burnley, Lancs, said later that tenants of owners he represents pay 7s. to 8s. rent, including rates.

The council insists on repairs. The owner cannot afford them—and cannot raise the rents to cover the costs.

In the case of owners of other properties, Mr Anderson has heard of some who offered the council their houses.

Or an owner may put the property in the name of someone in a common lodging-house or an old-age pensioner.

He pays the man £1 to £10, depending on the number of houses. And because the man is plainly derelict, the council has to do the repairs.

Mr Anderson owns the house he lives in. He said: "I thank heaven I don't own any more."

The federation's committee reported "calous, unfair, indefensible discrimination against the private owner."

PROFIT IS 2s. 6d.

A man who owns "20 to 30" is 72-year-old Mr Tom Joyce, of Huddersfield. He bought the first with £200 saved from his 10s. spending money earned in his father's grocery store.

He has been a full-time property owner ever since. He does his own decorating, repairs, and rent collecting.

But his average weekly income per house is half a crown: "It's not worth it," he said.

Two delegates gave no houses of their own. Mrs Mary Nichols, secretary to Northampton Rate-payers' Association, said: "I wouldn't own property for a gift."

Mrs Marion Bostock, secretary to the Sheffield association, said she has members in distress, elderly widows whose husbands thought they had done well in leaving a little property.

"Property? I wouldn't touch it with a barge pole," said Mrs Bostock—who pays £55 a year (plus rates) for her flat.

Glittering Toys Are Temptation

Multiple stores are responsible for much of today's petty thieving, said the Mayor of Acton, Mr A. E. Mitchell, recently.

"Glittering toys in easy reach are great temptations to children who have not been taught it is a sin to steal a pin," he said.

The stores should co-operate by putting their stuff out of reach.

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Then he asked: "What causes children to trample down allowances, damage fruit, ill-treat old ladies and do things of that kind? It is downright wickedness."

"My colleagues and I believe that if we could punish the parents of young criminals it would take us further along the road."

BARTON AGAIN...

He said a Home Office committee on juvenile crime would produce "voluminous reports."

"Nothing would be done. The committee would die a natural death with sheer boredom and frustration."

Dick Barton and his men came in for some blame from Lieut-Colonel A. H. Farley, chairman of the Middlesex County Council, who opened the conference.

"I often think the B.B.C. might concentrate a little more on the moral teaching than on the Dick Barton type of programme," he said.

"This moral teaching might be done in story form. Perhaps there could be evening talks occasionally on the responsibility of parents."

Sniffer For 50 Years

Seventy-four-year-old William Harris has been a bottle "sniffer and sorter" for 50 years.

He works in a London clearing house for West End hotels and clubs, and everyday he is surrounded by thousands of bottles—brandy, champagne, port, cherry, etcetera. They are all empty and many are minus labels.

William sorts them by distinguishing between the lingering bouquet. His own taste in drinks is simple, however—he prefers beer.

PHOTOGENIC



ANN Williamson, 20, holds the title of Florida's most photogenic girl. She was selected from a field of 16 entries in a beauty contest held at Cypress Gardens, and a better choice couldn't have been made. (Acme)

YOUNG BUCKET BRIGADE



THESE youngsters in Boston, Massachusetts, pitch in at an early age with scrubbing brushes and soapuds as the city begins a ten-day campaign to prepare for its Golden Jubilee Week. (Acme)

AFTER 3½ YEARS IN JOB HE RECEIVES A FORTUNE FOR BEING NATIONALISED

Twenty-four years ago Mr Desmond V. O'Meara qualified as a solicitor. He was a clever, likeable man, and he worked his way up to become Deputy Town Clerk of Croydon at £1,500 to £1,800 a year.

Towards the end of 1945 the general managership of the Croydon Gas Company became vacant. Mr O'Meara was appointed to the job. It was worth £2,500 a year.

In his contract it was stipulated that on retirement he would draw an annuity or alternative, to be entitled to a capital sum.

Mr O'Meara held the job for three and a half years. A month before the gas company was to be taken over by the State—May 1, 1949—he decided to retire.

And, as he was entitled to do under his contract, he claimed compensation. On his interpretation of the agreement he claimed that the compensation to be paid to him was either in a yearly pension of £2,000, or a lump sum of £42,494.

The South-Eastern Gas Board, which had absorbed the Croydon Gas Company, disputed the claim.

It said that the agreement had been made after November 19, 1945, which was the day when Mr Herbert Morrison stated in the House of Commons that the Government intended to nationalise the gas industry.

NOTICE REVOKED

In the board's view, the agreement was "entered into with an unreasonable lack of prudence on the part of the company."

Mr O'Meara submitted his claim to the Gas Arbitration Tribunal.

To the tribunal, he said that his contract was only "the formal embodiment of an oral agreement made in October 1945—before Mr Morrison's announcement."

Now it is announced that the tribunal has upheld the claim.

In the tribunal's view, the company had to select a first class man for the job of manager

"and unless it had been prepared to include a provision for compensation in the agreement, his services probably could not have been obtained."

The tribunal has revoked the South-Eastern Gas Board's notice of disclaimer of the agreement with Mr O'Meara and directed that he shall be awarded the costs of the proceedings.

'I WAS AMAZED'

Lieut-Colonel C. H. Gibson, the Mayor of Croydon, said: "Since Mr O'Meara left the gas company I understand it has become secretary of a very big organisation."

Alderman Maurice R. Stacey, the mayor-elect, said: "Everyone in Croydon is commenting on what a lucky man Mr O'Meara is."

Councillor H. A. Banks, leader of the Socialist group in the council, said: "If you want my personal comment, what has been done for Mr O'Meara is beyond question. It is lavish. I was amazed."

Sir Herbert Williams, one of the Conservative M.P.s for the area, summed it up in these words: "Mr O'Meara had legal rights and he has used them."

Mr William Cash, a leading director of the former gas company, said: "How much Mr O'Meara will get I don't know or when the figure will be announced. His collector is in touch with the area board's solicitor. They may take some time to reach an agreed figure."

UNCLAIMED SHOES

Nearly 200,000 pairs of boots and shoes lie unclaimed on the shelves of the 10,000 repair shops in Greater London, said Mr R. F. Knox, general secretary of the Boot Trade Association.

Some people forget the shoes they have taken to be repaired. Others buy new ones and decide to "write off" the old.

Last April a customer sent two pairs to a shop in the Wiltshire area. Two pairs were collected. The others were sent on. The owner refused them.

About 4s. worth of material and 4s. in wages are used in each pair of shoes soled and heeled. But repairs are not allowed to sell them.

"VERY UNFAIR"

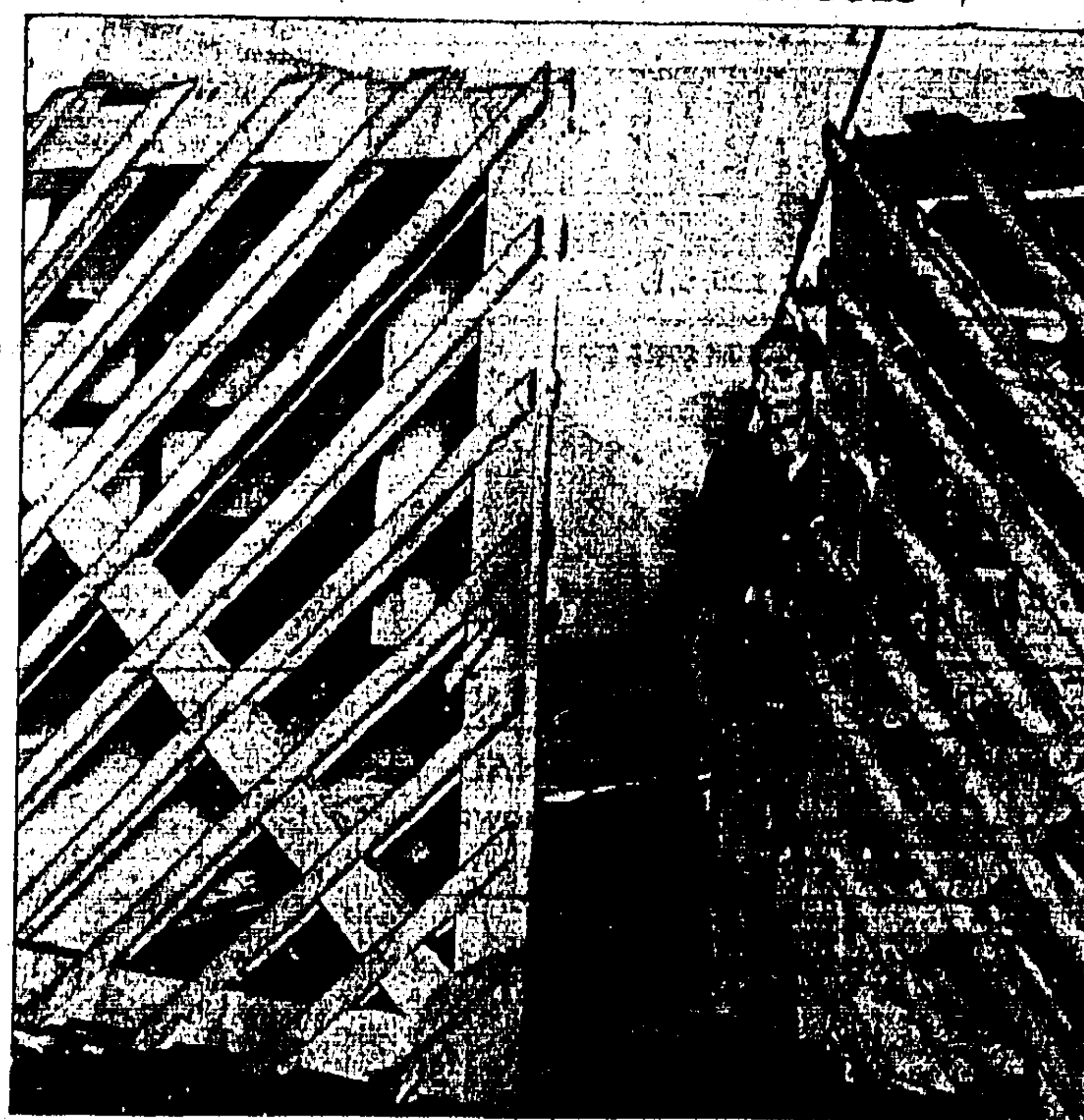
Even after many months have passed, a customer may come back and claim either his shoes or the money for a new pair.

"The present position is very unfair," said Mr Knox.

"Repairs just cannot afford to lose material and money they have invested in the unclaimed shoes, and to have their unlimited shelf space cluttered up with them."

The trade are now demanding the right to sell unclaimed shoes after three months. They will discuss this matter at their conference next month.

ITALIAN DP CAMP CLOSES



A guardian of the International Refugee Organisation closes the entrance of the DP camp at Fermo, Italy, after the last inhabitant had been transferred. The buildings will now be returned to civilian use after six years of wartime occupation. (Acme)

K. O. CANNON

A NEW ADVENTURE—WITH WHISPER



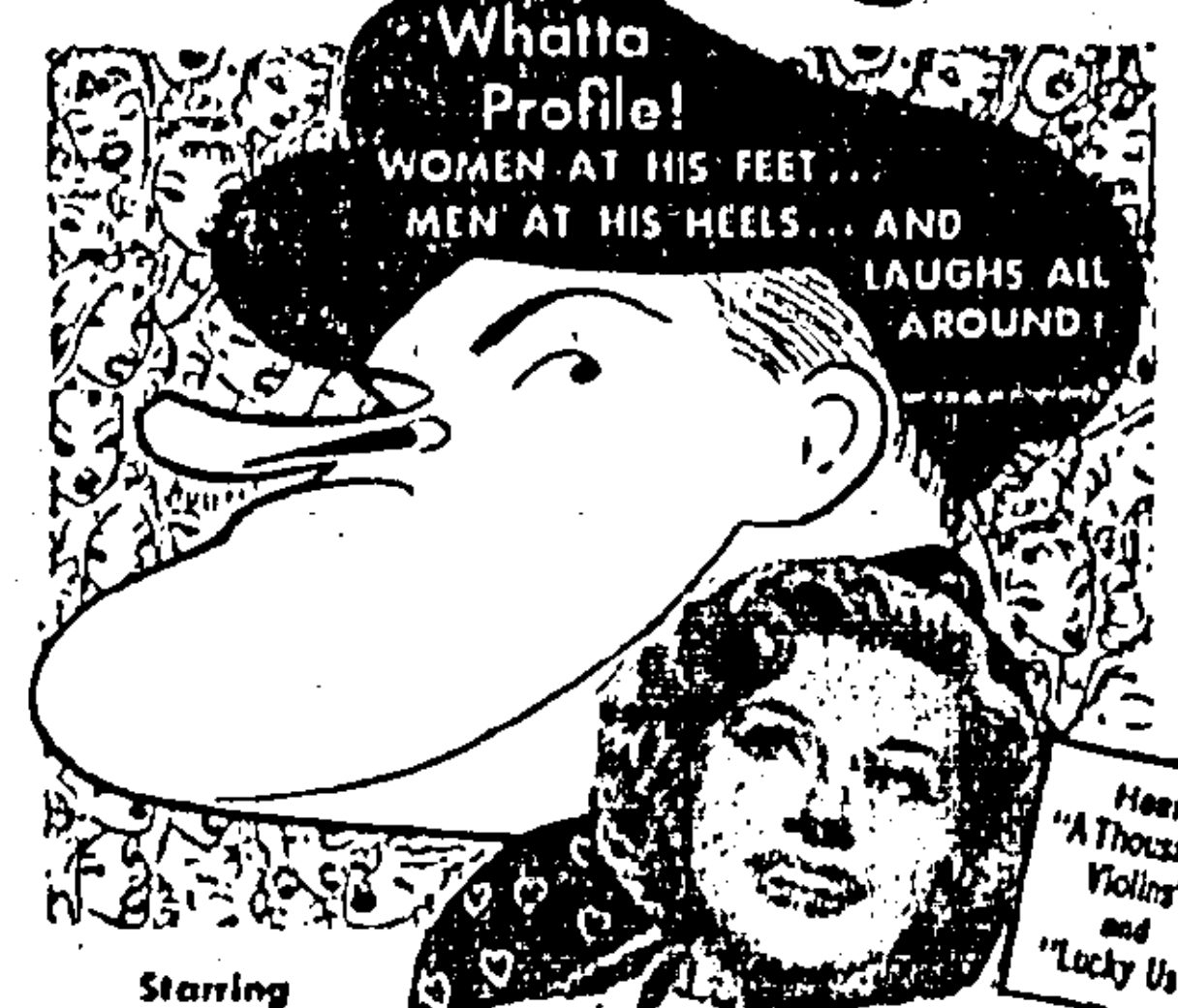
It's Pavements In English

Mr Justice Croom-Johnson took exception in the Nottingham High Court to use of the word "sidewalk".

"That's what they have in America," he told a lawyer. "Please be good enough to say 'pavement' here. There soon will be nothing left of the English language if we use such Americanisms."

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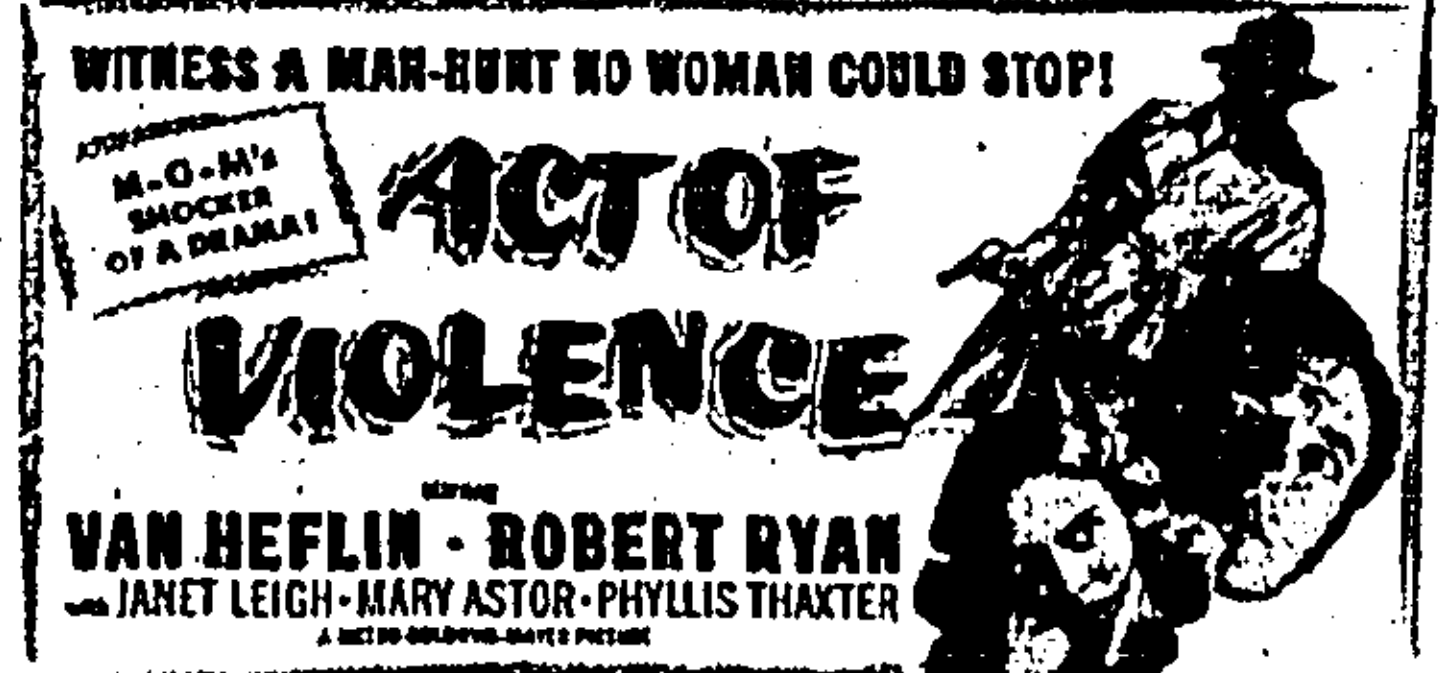


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The British Industries Fair Opens Thousands Flock To See Hongkong Display

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

McCormick Slaps At Britain

Chicago, May 8.—The Chicago Tribune today described as an "effrontery" a suggestion that America should help Britain meet debts to Sterling countries.

The editorial said, "After all we have done for the British their attempt to unload \$9,400,000,000 of their stale debts on the American taxpayer is incredible effrontery."

The paper said that Britain had full employment since the war because "its Sterling creditors have been spending funds there which were not acceptable where more and better goods could be had for the money."

"Once the people of India, Pakistan and Egypt are free to spend their money on American machinery and automobiles, how much of that over-priced stuff do you think they will be buying?" the newspaper added. "When unemployment as a result of convertible Sterling sweeps Britain, where do you suppose they will seek funds to modernize their industry?" it asked.

SAYS MR. HOFFMAN:

U.S. Must Move And Move Fast To Save Indo-China

Washington, May 8.—Mr. Paul Hoffman, the Marshall Plan Administrator, said today, "Unless we step in, we are going to lose Indo-China."

The United States should move, "and move fast," he declared.

He made these statements in a copyrighted interview published today by the U.S. News and World Report, an independent weekly news magazine.

Mr. Hoffman added that unless the United States developed

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part of certain members of the Atlantic Union.

Sources close to Mr. Acheson let it be understood that the Secretary of State said that he was by no means opposed to more American aid in Indo-China, but that it was impossible for him to ask the American Congress for more contributions to the common cause unless, at the same time, France was also willing to make more sacrifices than hitherto.

In general, Mr. Acheson urged what he said was reported to have called a "revivification" of the anti-Communist attitude in France and elsewhere in the Western camp.

He also referred to the need for progressively bringing Western Germany into the Atlantic community, although he did not at this stage advocate the creation of a German army.

As typical of the attitude of the French Government in regard to "hotting up" the cold war, French observers saw the categorical opposition any rearmament of Germany expressed by the President of the Republic, M. Vincent Auriol, on Sunday in a speech timed to coincide with Mr. Acheson's arrival in France.

The view of the French Cabinet, or at least of the majority of its members, is that the setting up of a new German army under American control would be interpreted by the Kremlin as a direct threat to the security of the Soviet Union and would lead to armed intervention by the Red Army.

"M. Auriol's speech is a counsel of prudence given to Washington," states the newspaper Paris-Presse, "but it would be going too far to suggest that France is trying to disengage herself from the Atlantic Pact and adopt a policy of neutrality."—Reuter.

INDONESIA TO PURSUE UNIFICATION

Jakarta, May 8.—The Premier, Dr. Mohammad Hatta, announced tonight that the Federated Republic of Indonesia would be merged soon into a unified state with a strong central government in Jakarta.

The Premier said, in a national broadcast, that the government would tolerate no interference in its plans to tie together the loose federation, which has been plagued by sectional rebellions in recent weeks.

He said a "unitarian" republic of Indonesia would be formed in such a manner that foreign countries which had recognized Indonesia could accept the new structure of the state. He added: "We must preclude anarchy and disorder which might destroy our state."—United Press.

Particular interest was shown in textile products and judging from the volume of enquiries about this line alone, many valuable orders will be placed during the next few days.

Buyers from Denmark, Belgium, Cyprus and St. Pierre, a small French colony off the coast of Canada, mingled with home buyers examining showpieces ranging from small pearl buttons to intricately carved ivory ornaments, comparing price and quality with similar exhibits on show on other stands.

After a brief tour of the rest of the exhibition, I formed the opinion that Hongkong products will stand up well against similar items shown by other Home and Empire producers. Delicately made paper flowers on show for the first time here are quite the best thing of their type I have ever seen. Other exhibits which are making their second or third appearance at Earl's Court seem to have improved enormously in quality. Even the ever fascinating finger posts, though fewer this year, seem more colourful and pleasing to the eye.

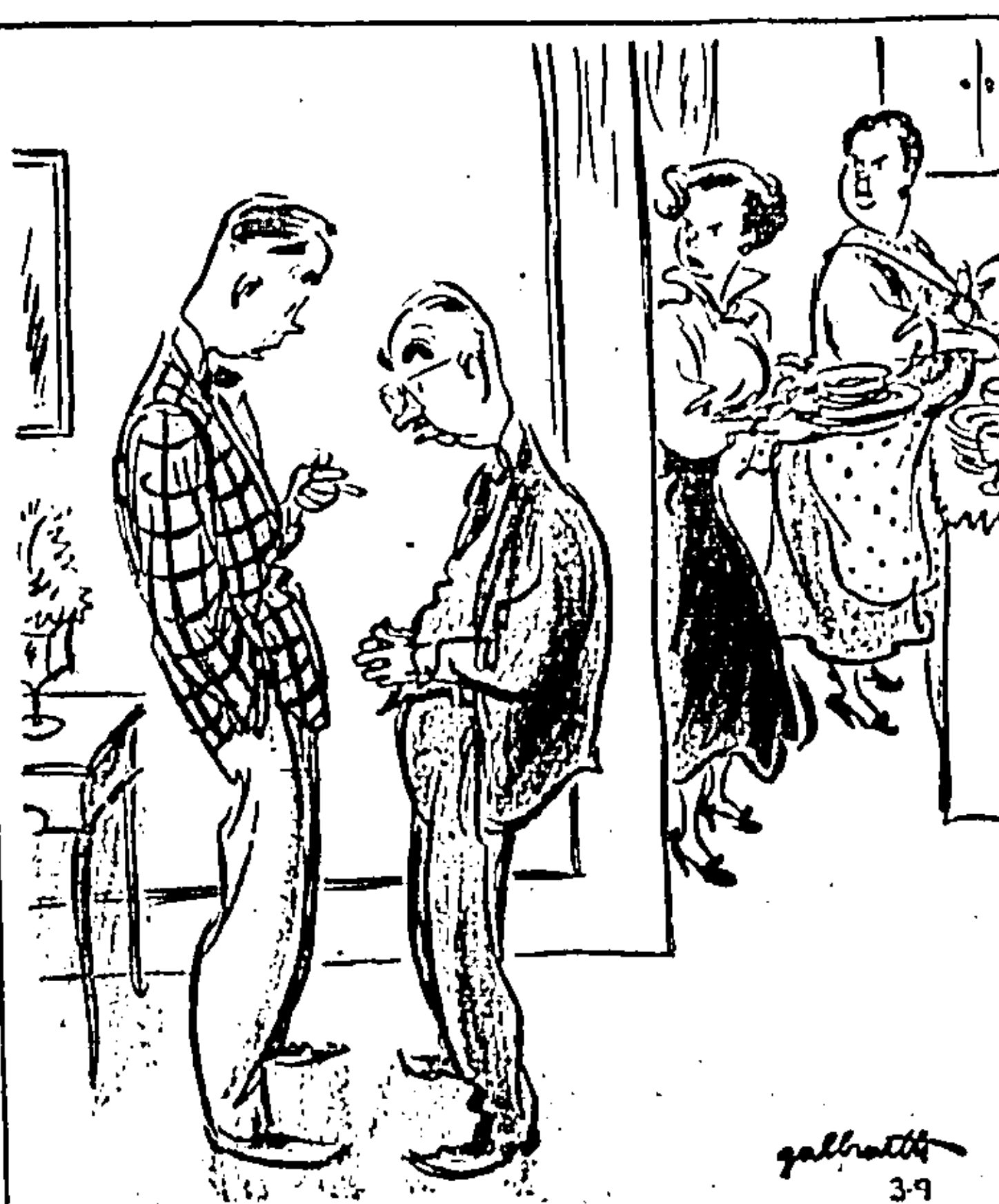
OPTIMISTIC

If business was good temper, were even better. Mr. Ngai Shiu-ki, deputy leader of the official delegation, who is representing the Chinese Manufacturers Union and the Yuen Tung Weaving and Dyeing Factory, told me that he and his colleagues are extremely optimistic about their prospects at this year's fair. Even virtual closing of the Chinese market does not seem to have dampened their spirits. Mr. Ngai was confident that the Chinese market would be opened again soon, but I could not help remembering asking the same question about the prospects of trade with communist China at this time last year and getting the same answer.

Far more important to Mr. Ngai and his associates is the threat of Japanese competition. But Mr. Ngai is not here to talk about his troubles, but to remedy them. At the end of this week he will travel to the Engineering section of the B.I.F. at Birmingham with a cheque in his pocket for \$2,000,000 which he is prepared to spend on textile machinery to re-equip his new factory. But here a note of warning for British manufacturers creeps in—Mr. Ngai, like any other businessman, will buy in the best market and if he does not find what he wants at Birmingham—well, he is booked for passage for the United States just in case.

Mr. C. Baker, leader of the Delegation, and Mr. Ngai will attend the B.I.F. banquet given by the Lord Mayor of London at Mansion House to-night.

SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"It may sound like a silly question to ask a father-in-law, but how long did it take you to break your wife of hanging stockings all over the bathroom to dry?"

First Garter Service For Two Years



The King and Queen on April 27 attended a service of the Knights of the Garter, in St George's Chapel, Windsor Castle — the first for two years. Photo shows a close up of Their Majesties in their striking Garter Robes. The King wore Naval uniform beneath his robe.

Witch Hunt Revival In Parliament

London, May 8.—The dropping of the war Minister, Mr. John Strachey, and the Defence Minister, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, for Communist sympathies in the past was demanded in the House of Commons today by Sir Waldron Smithers (Conservative).

He said a petition to the House had been signed by many "loyal subjects of the King" who were alarmed that the revivals of the Fuchs case might have shaken world confidence in Britain.

Sir Waldron said the presence of Mr. Strachey and Mr. Shinwell in the Cabinet was "conducive to an increase of Communist and Fascist infiltration and activities in Britain and consequent deterioration of Britain's prestige, upon which the recovery of Britain depends."

Both Mr. Strachey and Mr. Shinwell have denied that they are Communists. The Prime Minister, Clement Attlee, has said he will not dismiss them.—United Press.

ATOMIC PILE AT B.I.F.

London, May 8.—A nine-foot high working model of Britain's largest atomic pile was the main attraction for overseas visitors to the British Industries Fair which opened in London and Birmingham today.

The model, on show at the London end of the fair, is known as "BEPO," and shows how radio isotopes are made. This year's fair is the 25th and the biggest yet.

At London a helicopter stood by to take buyers to the other half of the exhibition at Birmingham, 110 miles away, on the world's first regular helicopter passenger service in Europe. But bad weather held up the take-off.—Reuter.

Israeli Ready For Final Peace Move

Tel-Aviv, May 8.—Israel tonight implied acceptance of a United Nations proposal for the setting up of sub-committees of Israeli and Arab representatives to deal with outstanding problems in the way of a final peace settlement.

In a statement issued here the Israeli government disclosed its reply to the United Nations Palestine Conciliation Commission's memorandum of March 20.

The reply said that Israel was willing to co-operate with the Commission and to negotiate directly with the Arabs for a peace settlement. But it rejected the conditions which the Arab States are reported to have demanded should precede negotiations.

The statement ended by saying that Israel was now waiting with interest the conclusions which the Commission might reach after considering the replies of the two parties.

Israel's reply reaffirmed "its continued readiness to co-operate with the Commission in exploring all avenues toward the solution of all issues outstanding between Israel and its neighbours."

Commenting on the recent Arab League resolutions in Cairo, the statement rejected a reported condition that the return of Arab refugees to Israel should precede negotiations.

This attitude would be taken by Israel as a rejection of the Conciliation Commission's proposals. But bad weather held up the take-off.—Reuter.

Southeast Asia's Critical Moment

Taipei, May 8.—Chiang Kai-shek today analysed the Far East situation to the American correspondents' mission at a press conference, declaring that the "situation in the Far East is more and more critical."

"This is caused by the Communists maintaining control on the Chinese mainland and spreading to other parts of Southeast Asia," he said.

"The Chinese Communists, with their control on the mainland, are the main strength of the Communist aggression in the Far East. There is no force in the Southeast Asia bloc to combat this. Now if the Reds are kept fighting in China by our counter-offensive against the mainland and guerrilla operations, they will prevent them from spreading to other parts of Asia. A world war could thus be prevented from starting in Southeast Asia."

"To achieve this, democratic countries must help to defend Formosa so that Formosa can be used as a base for a counter-offensive against the mainland. This will keep the aggressive forces of international Communism in China from spreading to Southeast Asia."

Democratic countries, particularly the United States, should "co-operate closely with China by providing adequate military aid to the Reds. So now it is Russia which is challenging the United States in China, not the United States challenging Russia."

He added that if any help is given it should be soon and adequate. He said "every day lost favours Communism."

"When I said we needed military aid, I meant material assistance. We do not want Americans to fight our wars. We do our own fighting. Soviet Russia is an active agent in Red China in an act of aggression. We are sure that the Americans will not take similar action in Formosa. We will welcome technical advice and assistance."

"As long as there is any agreement which will not in-

Sweden & Peking Agreement

San Francisco, May 8.—China and Sweden are to exchange Ambassadors, Peking Radio said tonight in reporting the conclusion of diplomatic talks between the Swedish representative, M. Ingvar Grauers, and the Chinese Government. The Radio said that M. Torsten Ludvig Hammarstrom would be Sweden's Ambassador to China while General Kiang Pao would be China's Ambassador to Sweden.—Reuter.

THE MONTHS AHEAD WILL DECIDE

— Truman

On board the Truman train, May 8.—President Truman said today that the decisions of the United Nations made in the months ahead would determine whether there would be "a third world war."

In a talk to a crowd, which gathered around his speech tour train at Galesburg, Illinois, the President assailed the "isolationists" who would "let the rest of the world be swallowed up by Communism."

"These men," Mr. Truman said, "tell us we should economize by an isolationist policy, did the same thing after World War I and brought on World War II."

There would be a third world war if America "renege" on her Allies, Mr. Truman said, just as Russia "is renege on her allies."

The President asked support of "constructive steps" which he said are being taken to win peace and prevent war. He said there are "no courses open to the nation—'isolationism' or the programme we are now following."

"I don't need to tell you that it is cheaper to spend \$20,000,000,000 over a period of years to halt the spread of Communism than it would be to spend \$100,000,000,000 to fight another war to halt Communism," said President Truman.

The United States must support democratic nations in Europe. He said, "I am not afraid of losing the peace. International co-operation is the key to world peace."

Automobile caravans from surrounding towns brought hundreds to the station to hear his speech.—Reuter and United Press.

New Delhi Frivolity

New Delhi, May 8.—The police today dropped the case against John Edwards, 27-year old British war hero who was booked on an assault charge only on Saturday after a night club incident in which he and the Argentine Ambassador, Dr. Oscar Tschertch, dined each other with whisky and ice water.

Dr. Tschertch, who earlier had complained to the Prime Minister, Jawaharlal Nehru, about Mr. Edwards' release, said further action against the Briton would be a matter for the government of India to decide and indicated that he personally would not press fresh charges.

Mr. George Mawer, legal expert, told newspapermen the police considered the case "too trivial."—United Press.



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W. INDIAN FAST BOWLERS MAY WORRY ENGLISH BATSMEN QUITE A LOT

BY ARCHIE QUICK

Pity the poor West Indians. This happy band of cricketers from the sun-kissed Caribbean Islands, who now rank second only to Australia on Test Match performance, have arrived in England coincidentally with freak April weather of snow, rain and the coldest of winds.

As England wicketkeeper S. C. Griffiths said to me at Eastbourne, "I have never felt sorrier for anyone more in my life." And as I watched them shivering even in three sweaters I remembered that they had even had their stock of rum taken from them by the Southampton Customs!

Down on the picturesque Saffrons ground watching the visitors play in a two days "Practice" match were three famous Test cricketers who have made their homes in Sussex, Jack Hobbs, Patsy Hendren and Herbert Strudwick, and they agreed unanimously that the West Indians' battery of fast bowlers is going to worry English batsmen quite a lot this summer if the weather is dry.

Hines Johnson, from Jamaica, is now nearly 30 years old, and it can be taken for granted that he will be used only sparingly in the Tests, but he brings the ball down at terrific speed from all his 6 ft. 4 ins. he can still be a terror for three of four overs.

DIRECT ATTACK

Then there is Prior Jones, of Trinidad, just as fast and equally a believer in the direct attack on the wicket. Finally, there is Lance Pierre, also of Trinidad, surprise choice, but whom many think will prove the biggest success of all.

Each of these men are over six feet tall, and their continuing attack will be a disconcerting novelty to English post-war batsmen with no county experience of this sort of thing.

But if the West Indies include three fast men, a left hander—and Valentine is not very impressive at the moment—and at least one right arm spinner—probably Gomez—if not two, they are going to weaken their batting strength and may yet regret that they left all-rounder Ferguson at home.

Frank Worrell and Everton Weekes are, of course, batsmen of "world" class, both of whom know English wickets by reason of their engagements with Randcliffe and Lancashire respectively in the Lancashire League last summer, but they are not enough to sustain the side.

It is a fact though that here

Neil Franklin To Coach In Colombia



London, May 8.—Neil Franklin, Stoke City and England centre-half, and George Mountford, Stoke City right winger, left by air last night with their wives and families on the first stage of a journey to Bogota, Colombia, to take up a coaching appointment with the Santa Fe Football Club there.

Both players recently asked permission of the Stoke Directors to make the trip. Consent was given to Mountford, but Franklin was informed that the Directors had no objection if he could obtain the consent of the Football Association.

Subsequently, Franklin asked the Football Association not to consider him for England's continental tour this month and the World Cup finals in which England are taking part in Brazil later this summer.—Reuter.

The West Indians coming out to field against Colonel E. C. Stevens' XI, captained by S. C. Griffiths, the Sussex wicket-keeper, at the Saffrons, Eastbourne. They are being led out here by their captain, J. D. Goddard.—London Express.

Rain Washes Out Most Of The County Matches

London, May 8.—Dull skies from which rain fell steadily made another unpleasant day for most teams concerned with first-class cricket matches today, and while some play was possible at three venues others produced no play.

Three were called off before lunch and at Lords, where Middlesex are home to Hampshire, and Cambridge, where the University are receiving Yorkshire, not a ball has been bowled on the first two days.

The third match to suffer the "no play" fate was Gloucestershire and Warwickshire at Gloucester. A sharp shower in mid-afternoon at Peterborough caused hopes to be abandoned of play between Northamptonshire and Surrey, who had only 70 minutes of play on Saturday.

ONE-DAY RULE

The Middlesex match now comes under the one-day rule, so that either side can declare after one hour and in the absence of a result the side leading on the first innings takes eight points instead of the usual four.

Nottinghamshire and Glamorgan have very short run-outs today when the Welsh County fought defensively after two wickets had fallen for 10 in reply to the Millers' big total.

Heavy showers always threatened to curtail play, and it was no real surprise when the abandonment came some time before stumps should be drawn.

Manchester, curiously enough, was one of the few centres where rain did not spoil matters, and Lancashire gained a useful lead without losing all their first innings wickets.

This was mainly through a fifth wicket stand in which Grieves and Wharton scored 100 in 55 minutes. Both curiously were out for 57. Grieves hitting 10 fours and Wharton two sixes while they were together.

Rain halted the Somerset game 15 minutes from

SUMMARY

The following is the position as regards the first-class cricket matches played:

At Lords: No play between Middlesex and Hampshire was possible today.

At Cambridge: No play between Cambridge University and Yorkshire was possible today.

At Gloucester: No play between Warwickshire and Gloucestershire was possible today.

At Peterborough: No play between Northamptonshire and Surrey was possible today.

Northamptonshire 49 for two.

At Swansea: No further play was possible today owing to rain between Glamorgan and Nottinghamshire.

Nottinghamshire 352, Glamorgan 71 for three.

At Manchester: Lancashire 158, Lancashire 266 for six (Ikin 61, Grieves 67, Wharton 57).

At Taunton: Sussex 440 for seven declared, Somerset 184 (Irish 61, J. Oakes, right-arm medium bowler, five for 68, C. Oakes, right-arm leg-break bowler, five for 38) and 79 for three (Gimblett 50),

Reuter.



These three runners won all the flat races except the 100 Metres at the Quadrangular Championships at Caroline Hill Stadium on Sunday. Lau Man-ngor (left) won the 1,500, 3,000 and 5,000 Metres Runs. Bds. Anderson (centre) won the 800 Metres. Ng Yin-fok (right) won the 200 and 400 Metres. Between them they set five new records.—Golden Studio Photographs.

JOHN MACADAM TELLS OF

One Of The Most Formidable Partnerships In Sport

The other evening, we went along to London's swaggy Dorchester Hotel, and there, in the suite occupied by Henry Cotton and his Argentinian wife, who is known to everybody in the golf business as "Toots," we got a glimpse of one of the most formidable partnerships—maybe in all sport.

Watching Henry playing in competition and his wife watching him playing, you get the impression of a couple of golf automatons, dour, dogged, determined, steeped in the science of the game.

Henry never relaxes from his intense concentration. His mind is on the round, he is playing from the moment he sets off from the first tee until the moment he sees his ball into the hole.

His wife never takes her eyes off his movement towards the hole, from his choice of the club, from his tensed approach, to his playing of the shot. She will lose concentration at the click of a camera shutter as much as he does himself, will shush the clicker with a look as intense as that Henry has on the little white ball. Human? Well, human machines.

THE DIFFERENCE But in this plush apartment, as Henry talks and his wife

shakes cocktails with the same

animated precision as they use for the winning of championships, there is a great difference, and it is doubtful if you boys and girls of the gallery would recognise the pair.

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London, May 8.—The prices offered about the leading Derby fancies were generally changed, following week-end racing in France, when the card was called over tonight at the Victoria Club here.

L'Amiral, who beat Pardon on Sunday, replaced Castle Rock as second favourite and closed at 7 to 1. Today's easy winner of the Prix Longueur at St. Cloud, Vieux Manoir, tumbled from 25 to 1 to 10 to 1 and Pardon was pushed out from the prices, to nearly double those odds, 100 to 6.

The American-bred favourite, Prince Simon, weakened slightly and finished at 3 to 1. Only two English-bred horses, Castle Rock and Eclair, were quoted in the first seven.

The prices were: 3 to 1 against Prince Simon. 7 to 1 L'Amiral. 10 to 1 Vieux Manoir. 100 to 6 Pardon. 25 to 1 Perigieux. 25 to 1 Eclair. 33 to 1 any others.—Reuter.

PRIX LOUQUOR Paris, May 8.—Baron Guy de Rothschild's English Derby candidate, Vieux Manoir, easily won the Prix Louquor of just over one mile and a half at St. Cloud this afternoon.

After his victory Baron de Rothschild said that the colt would certainly run in the Derby on May 27.

Ridden by Jean Lemaire and carrying 8 stone 2 pounds, Vieux Manoir beat Blue Song II, carrying 8 stone 7 pounds, by four lengths with Queux (7 stone 6 pounds) three lengths away, third of a field of seven runners.

Vieux Manoir went into the lead two and a half furlongs from home and won in a canter. The pari-mutuel returns for a 10-franc stake were: win 11, places 11 and 17.

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Basketball Tournament Results of quintuplet invitation basketball matches played at Caroline Hill last evening were:

Whaly of Shanghai beat South China AA, 47-39; Warriors of Shanghai lost to H.K. Chinese YMCA 43-44.

Tomorrow, at 8 p.m., South China AA will meet H.K. Chinese YMCA and Whaly will meet Warriors.

HOW THEY STAND Warriors.....P W L Pts Chinese Y.....2 2 0 4 Whaly.....2 2 0 4 SCAA.....2 2 0 4 La Salle.....2 2 0 4 The La Salle College Team of Manila returned home yesterday.

NBA RECOGNISES TERRY ALLEN New York, May 8.—The National Boxing Association of America announced today that its Executive Committee had voted to recognize Terry Allen, of Ithington, London, as the Flyweight Champion of the World.

The Committee recommended that Allen be asked by the British Boxing Board of Control to meet Dado Marino, of Hawaii, within the next 30 days. Allen outpointed Honore Prates, of France, for the vacant title at the Harringay Arena, London, on April 25.—Reuter.

Amateur Billiards Championship London, May 8.—Herbert Beetham, of Derby, beat Rex Williams, of Blackheath, Staffordshire, by 1,300 points, 754 in their third round match in the English Amateur Billiards Championship at Burroughes Hall here.

Beetham, 41-year-old runner-up in 1926 and 1940, had century breaks of 150 and 154.—Reuter.

Arthur Peall says: THIS REFEREE WAS DOUBLY WRONG

BLACK spot being marked by a red dot, the referee after black was potted, replaced it on the highest point of the table, and the cue was normally occupied by blue.

When blue was potted and there was a vacant spot, it was placed on the spot as above.

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16 Starters For The Adelaide Cup

Adelaide, May 8.—Sixteen horses have been left in at the final acceptance stage for the Adelaide Cup of £2,800, to be run over two miles at Morphettville Racecourse here on Wednesday. The acceptances, with weights, are as follows:

Chievely (8 stone 9 pounds), Bold John (8:8), Flech Dor (8:1), Peerless Fox (7:12), Autumn (7:10), Binna Gift and King Comedy (both 7:9), Lady Vane (7:7), Bruce's Pride and Prince Chatham (both 7:6), Vorando (7:5), Portage (7:3), Idle Banter (6:9), Brown Shadow, Poldale and Vintage Year (all 6:7).—Reuter.

DAVIS CUP

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FOR THE BUSINESSMAN

Arabs Urged To Recognise Annexation

Baghdad, May 8.—The President of the Iraqi Senate, Jamil El Madfal, today urged Arabs to accept the annexation by Jordan of the Arab part of Palestine as a fait accompli.

Jamil El Madfal, a former Prime Minister of Iraq, said that Arab acceptance of the annexation was the only practicable way to save this part of Palestine from imminent Israeli occupation and aggression.

While official quarters here declined any comment, political quarters wholeheartedly supported the President's statement as the "only possible and wise attitude which must be adopted by the League."

The Iraqi Premier, Tawfik Suwayid, will lead the Iraqi delegation attending the Political Committee of the Arab League, which will be meeting in Cairo this week.

They will sign a collective security pact and discuss the attitude of member States towards the annexation, it was officially understood.—Reuter.

ENCOURAGING REPLY
Geneva, May 8.—The Palestine Conciliation Commission has received an encouraging reply from the Israeli Government to its proposals for direct negotiations under the mediation of the Commission, it is learned here today.

The Commission is now studying the next step which would eventually lead to direct contact between Arabs and Jews in mixed committees.

A Commission spokesman said that such contacts would be on the aspect of peace negotiations.—Reuter.

TRANSVAAL INDIANS' DEMAND

Johannesburg, May 8.—The Transvaal Indian Congress today demanded that a national convention of all democratic organisations in South Africa should be convened immediately to devise ways and means of offering effective opposition to the Government's Unlawful Organisations Bill.

Under the Bill, which was recently introduced in the Union Parliament by the Minister of Justice, Mr. Swart, Communist and other organisations may be declared unlawful by proclamation of the Governor-General.

The Congress, of which Dr. Y. M. Dadoo is President, said in a statement that in the name of combating Communism the Government was attempting to itself autocratically to complete the establishment of a Fascist dictatorship.

"South African people of all races and all shades must stop the Bill if South Africa is to be saved from the horrors of a Gestapo state," it added.—Reuter.

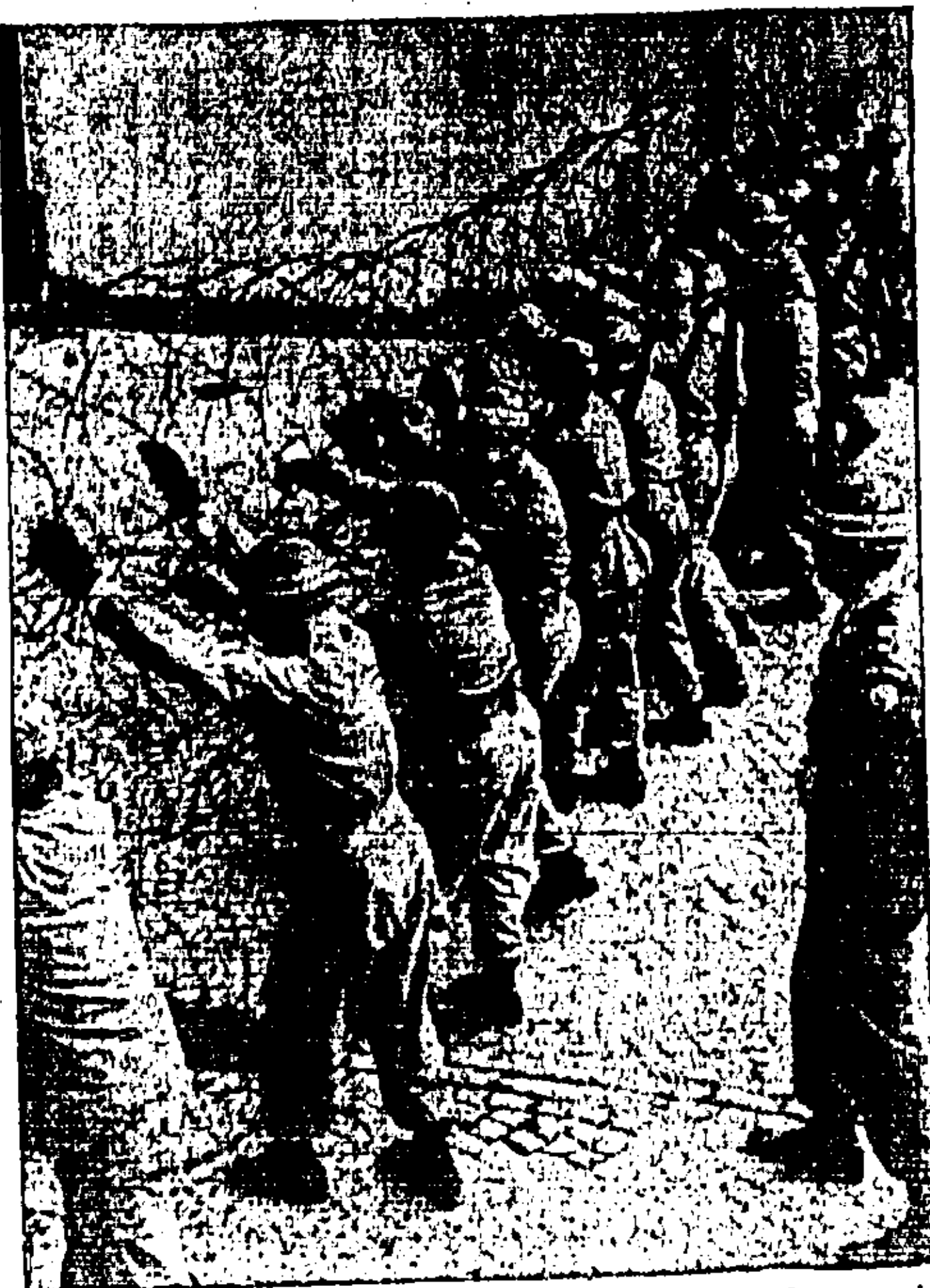
Franco Back In Madrid
Madrid, May 8.—General Franco, newly returned to Madrid from a fishing trip, today received the Lebanese Foreign Minister, Takkla Bey, who on Saturday signed a Hispano-Lebanese treaty of friendship.

The Spanish head of state also received the Iraqi Minister, Atia Amin, who presented his credentials.—Reuter.

Devadas Gandhi On His Way
London, May 8.—Mr. Devadas Gandhi, India's representative on the United Nations Sub-Commission on Freedom of Information and the Press, arrived by air in London today on his way to South America.

He flies to Montevideo on Thursday.—Reuter.

Wired For Trouble



U.S. constabulary troops in Berlin practise erecting barbed-wire barriers during a simulated riot exercise as part of their training for possible emergency duty in the Communist dominated East. Although Eastern Berlin Communists backed down on their threat to invade the Western sector, the Allies are prepared for any emergency. (Acme)

25,000 Russian Advisers Imported By Mao Tse-tung

BY BLAKE GEARHART

Manila, May 9.—The phrase "Bamboo Curtain" is more than a mere figure of speech in Shanghai today. Perhaps "Bamboo Fence" would be more appropriate, because there is a big compound fenced off with bamboo in the wealthy residential district of Hungjiao, on the west side. Significantly, Russians live inside the compound.

Russians began moving into Shanghai in small groups last autumn, and their numbers have increased steadily in the last six months. Early this year the influx created a housing problem, which the Chinese authorities solved by ordering the evacuation of one residential section.

Some foreigners were ordered to leave their homes within 24 hours. They were not told who was replacing them. The fence is built around a big cluster of houses, but fences around individual houses are opened to afford easy access to all parts of the compound.

Armed guards are posted under rigid security regulations to keep out inquisitive Chinese and foreigners. This isolation of Russians furnished grist for a busy rumour mill.

DARK UNIFORMS
Chinese employees of a big restaurant, which was about to close, got an unexpected break when they were transferred to the west side of the apartment building to serve the Russians as cooks, waiters and house boys.

During my 11 months behind the "Bamboo Curtain" since the Communists occupied Shanghai on May 24, 1949, I never saw a Russian soldier. I was reliably informed, however, there were uniformed Soviets in the Pootung area east of the city, where landing barge construction was reported to be going on under Soviet supervision.

Last month Chinese walking on the Bund, in the heart of the city, said they saw a dozen Soviet nationals wearing dark uniforms and carrying sub-machine-guns, moving supplies from a truck to a small boat for ferrying across the Whangpoo River to Pootung. Chinese Red soldiers ordered the curious bystanders to keep moving.

NAVAL GAMES IN CHANNEL
The Hague, May 8.—British, French and Dutch aircraft carriers, cruisers, destroyers, and submarines, with aircraft of the Royal Air Force and Coastal Command, will combine for manoeuvres in the English Channel on May 22, it was announced here today.

The British aircraft carrier, Implacable, will be flagship of the British units, which will join the Western Union Fleet in the course of the Home Fleet's summer cruise.

Other British ships taking part will include the cruiser Superb and Cleopatra, the destroyers Agincourt, Jutland, Battlement and Crowsbow, and two submarines, Anacrusis and Trespasser.

Dutch ships will include the aircraft carrier Karel Doorman, the anti-aircraft cruiser Jacob Van Heemskerck, the destroyer escort Johan Maurits Van Nassau, the submarine training vessel Marrix, and three submarines.—Reuter.

NEW YORK GIVES HEARTY WELCOME TO VISITING PAKISTANI PREMIER

New York, May 8.—The world's tallest city today gave a large-hearted reception to Pakistan's Prime Minister, Mr. Liaquat Ali Khan, as he drove to the New York City Hall through a "snow of ticker tape."

Tens of thousands of Americans, old and young, lined the streets as the Prime Minister's grey tourer, escorted by 50 motor police, drove to the City Hall under the shadows of giant skyscrapers.

EXCITED PILGRIMS MOB POPE
Vatican City, May 8.—Swiss Guards, with halberds interlocked, formed a wall of steel round Pope Pius XII to protect him from 40,000 enthusiastic pilgrims in the biggest mass audience ever held here.

The pilgrims, who included 10,000 Spaniards here for the canonisation of St. Anthony Claret, several times threatened to burst through the guards and sweep round the Pope. Twenty bishops were among the vast congregation at the Basilica for the audience. As soon as the Pope was carried in on his crimson throne, the crowds burst into cheers and cries of "Viva Il Papa," waving and clapping and surging forward against the line of Papal Guards along the aisle.

WAY CLEARED
The tumult subsided as the Pope reached the foot of the High Altar and addressed the pilgrims, speaking in six languages.

But as the audience came to an end with the Blessing from the High Altar, the pilgrims surged excitedly forward once more.

This time the Swiss Guards, in their ruffed 16th century uniforms, had to stand in a solid wall with halberds crossed to prevent the excited pilgrims from bursting through. Eventually the Guards cleared a way for the Pope who, amid wild bursts of cheering, was carried down the aisle again and back to the Papal apartments.—Reuter.

COUNCIL OF FAO MEETS IN ROME
Rome, May 8.—The 18-nation Council of the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) met for the first time in Rome today to plan the transfer of its headquarters here from Washington.

It will also consider notices of withdrawal served by Poland and Czechoslovakia. Viscount Bruce of Melbourne presided. He told reporters that President Truman's "Point Four" proposal of technical assistance to backward areas represented the best hope today of increasing the world's food.

He said that though agricultural production had regained pre-war levels, the world's population had increased in the last 10 years by 200,000,000.

"This means that a large part of the world's population still suffers from undernourishment and hunger," he said.—Reuter.

"WINDOW SHADE"
The Soviets are careful to call themselves "advisers," at least in the Shanghai area, because the Chinese resent being told what to do by foreigners.

Incidentally, the phrase "Bamboo Curtain" means nothing to at least one Chinese official. An American recently evacuated from Shanghai took his life of typewritten letters and documents to the public security police for approval.

Next day the supervisor asked what the words "Bamboo Curtain" meant in a letter. The quick-thinking American took the life of typewritten letters and documents to the public security police for approval.

German Reds Thank Their "Liberators"
Berlin, May 8.—The German Communists today thanked the Soviet Union for defeating Germany in World War II and shouted for the American troops to go home.

Communist Party leaders hailed the Russians as "liberators" who freed them from the Nazis five years ago. The Russians here also observed the anniversary.

The East German Prime Minister, Herr Otto Grotewohl, praising the Soviet Union, did not mention the part played by the Western Allies in the conquering of Germany.

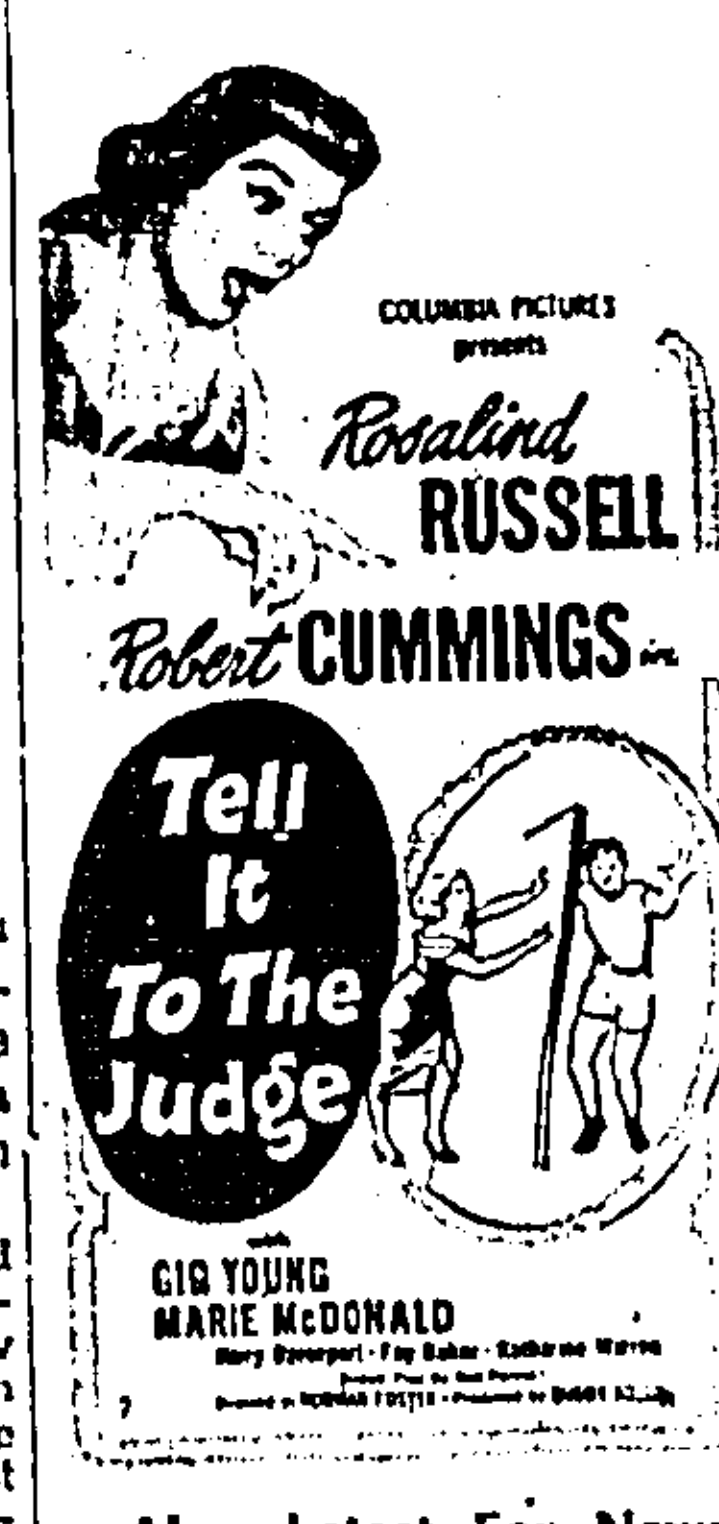
"I tell Mr. Acheson again that we don't want his occupation troops," Grotewohl told a Communist rally in the State Opera House. "Let us decide. Go home, go home, for heaven's sake, but go!"—United Press.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE
Answers
1. Giraffe. 2. The Bohemian art district in Paris, France. 3. Liberia. 4. Atlas. 5. The skin of the nectarine is smooth.

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French Colonial Conference
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Mr. Jean Leclercq, Minister for Overseas France, presided over the conference, which is also considering conditions for the investment of State and private capital in the territories. Economic and social problems of the French Union will also be considered.—Reuter.

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